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Re: Settlement Discussions
Rio Verde Rate Case
Docket W-02156A-00-0321 and WS-02156A-00-0323

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As directed by the Commission, this memorandum is to provide notice to the docket that settlement discussions in the referenced docket are ongoing at this time.

Staff met with Rio Verde Utilities Inc. (Company) after Staff's direct testimony and the Company's rebuttal testimony was filed. The Company has since met with other parties and is continuing to communicate with them. Staff has not met with the Company since its initial meeting.

At the procedural conference held on Friday, February 9, 2001, the Administrative Law Judge encouraged all of the parties to meet together to determine whether a settlement was achievable. The hearing in this matter is scheduled to begin on February 22, 2001.

The parties to the docket are: the Company, Staff, Residential Utility Consumer Office, Rio Verde County Club and Rio Verde Community Association.

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